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Atty. Docket No. 31045-00007



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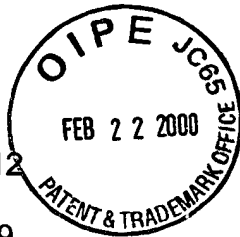
In re Application of:

ALBERT J. SILVERA

Serial No.: 09/268,412

Filed: March 15, 1999

For: TECHNIQUE FOR DECORATING A  
SHOE AND A SHOE DECORATED  
USING THE TECHNIQUE



Group Art Unit: 3728

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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application and the following:

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ No additional claim fee is required.
- ☐ Additional fees are required as calculated and shown below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Small Entity Rate	Additional Fee	Standard Rate	Additional Fee
Total	19 minus	20	0	x \$9.00		x \$18.00	
Independent	2 minus	3	0	x \$39.00		x \$78.00	
1st Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim				x \$130.00		x \$260.00	
				TOTAL:		TOTAL:	

☐ A Petition for [ ] One; [ ] Two; [ ] Three Months Extension of Time and the requisite fee is being filed concurrently herewith.

☐ Other attachments: \_\_\_\_\_

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3735. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.

☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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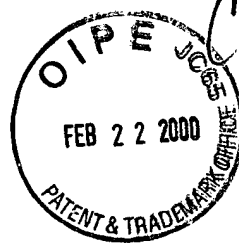
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## AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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In response to the Office Action dated November 17, 1999, please amend the above-identified application as follows.